

Accounting Program Review

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Mission Statement

- **The Accounting Program strives to be a department of creative, highly qualified professionals dedicated to preparing our students for entry-level opportunities and long-term career success. The department imparts business and accounting knowledge, develops competencies in emerging technologies, fosters learning skills, and promotes the pursuit of life-long learning. We also strive to enhance communication skills, interpersonal and leadership skills, and critical thinking abilities.**

Program Overview

- Gives students entry-level skills that can be applied to the careers of junior accountant, full-charge bookkeeper, staff accountant, and other positions requiring fundamental accounting skills.
- Provides a foundation for students who transfer to four-year institutions, majoring in accounting.
- All accounting and business majors are required to take Introductory to Accounting I and II.

Strengths

- **Technology improvements**
 - QuickBooks
 - Smart Classrooms
- **Tutoring**
 - At both Haverhill and Riverwalk Campuses
 - Tutoring all levels of accounting
- **Relationships with area high schools**
 - Haverhill High School
 - Methuen High School
 - Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School
 - Greater Lawrence
- **Faculty**
 - 2 full-time faculty ; 9 adjuncts with a diverse backgrounds
- **Breadth and depth of courses**
- **Diversity of students**

Goals for the future

- **Internships for students**
 - Working with community leaders to try to create opportunities for the students
- **Enhanced assistance in the introductory level courses**
 - Starting in the Fall, two ACC101 courses will have supplemental instruction
- **More exposure to Excel**
 - Create an Excel course focusing on accounting
- **Transfer Compact**
 - Currently the accounting program does not meet the transfer compact
- **Accounting transfer program**